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My name is Samuel Volpendesto. I am a defendant in <u>United States v.</u> Volpendesto. No. 08 CR 115, presently pending before the Honorable Ronald A. Guzman in the Northern District of Illinois.

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I was indicted on February 7, 2008. The indictment was unsealed on July 30, 2008 at which time I was arrested. Attorney Edmund P. Wanderling has filed an appearance as counsel on my behalf.

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It is my desire to have attorney Edmund P. Wanderling represent me in this cause. I understand that the government alleges that Mr. Wanderling has a conflict of interest regarding others who may be defendants or witnesses in this case. Mr. Wanderling met with me and reviewed the motion filed by the government and the allegations made therein.

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I fully understand that under the Sixth Amendment to the United States Constitution, I have a right to effective assistance of counsel. I also understand that the right to effective assistance of counsel includes the right to be represented by attorneys who are free from any conflicts of interest.

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I do not object to Mr. Wanderling having represented both myself and these others alleged by the government if in fact such is true.

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That Alexander Salerno initially represented me when the government came to my house in that he sent a letter to the government on my behalf. I understand he represents Mark Polchan and I do not object to such.

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